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The Reverend John Conniff  
Director, Youth Department  
National Catholic Welfare Conference  
1312 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Father Conniff:

I received your message inviting me to give the keynote address at the annual convention of the C. Y. O. in Buffalo on November 9th.

Unfortunately I will be out of the country at the time of this convention and therefore it will not be possible for me to be with you on that day.

Incidentally, while I very much appreciate your kind invitation to make this address, I must also add that I am following a policy of not making any public appearances until after I have been in office for some time and have become well indoctrinated in my new position. I am sure you will understand the reasons for this.

Yours most sincerely,

/S/ by TML

John A. McCone

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